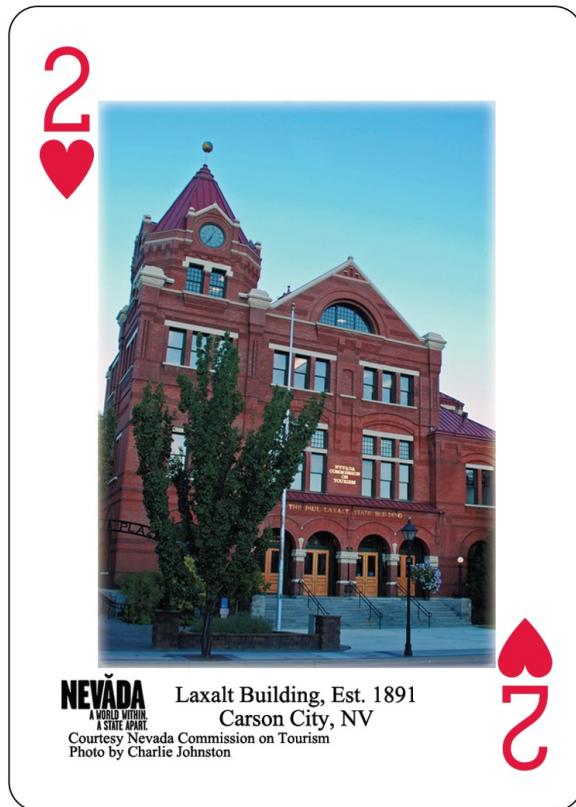


The Laxalt Building Carson City Post Office



This was the first Federal building to be constructed in the state and the only one of its particular style. With its extensive use of red brick, interesting textural qualities and employment of a clock tower, this massive-appearing building differs from all other governmental and civic buildings in the state. This structure possesses architectural significance as an excellent example of the Romanesque Revival style mixed with the Chateau style massing and silhouette. The structure's mass and scale continues to provide the community with a focal point and visual landmark since its opening in 1891.

This building was actually Carson City's third post office from the time of the building's opening in 1891 until the post office was closed in 1970. During these same years, the building served as the offices of the United States District Court and was the seat of legal decisions affecting the entire State of Nevada.

Located at 401 North Carson Street, the building now houses the Nevada Commission on Tourism, the state's marketing arm for the tourism industry. The publishing staff for Nevada Magazine, the state's official bimonthly tourism magazine, occupy the first floor. In 1999, the building was dedicated in honor of the former Nevada Governor and U.S. Senator Paul Laxalt.

For additional information on the Laxalt Building please visit:

<http://www.nps.gov/nr/travel/nevada/cpo.htm>

